## 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

" If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts."



#### MISSION STATEMENT

"The historic Church of Our Lady of Lourdes is rooted in the Catholic faith and tradition. We strive to be a welcoming parish, committed to nurturing a spirit of prayer and service. Guided by the Holy Spirit we embrace all who seek to grow in their relationship with Jesus Christ. Together we will build a strong, loving community where faith is lived, celebrated and shared."



### October 5, 2025

#### MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday 4:30pm Sunday 8:30am & 10:30am

> Tuesday 12:05pm Wednesday 12:05pm Thursday 12:05pm Friday 12:05pm

**CONFESSION** 

Saturday 3:45-4:15pm

#### **PARISH OFFICE HOURS**

Tuesday through Friday 8:30am - 4:30pm To contact the Parish Office call: 612-379-2259

For information on the parish and its programs and events, please visit lourdesmpls.org

#### **REMINDER:**

Parking in the ramp while attending liturgies at Lourdes is FREE! Bring a copy of your license plate # and see personnel in the back of church for validation.

## **OUR LADY OF LOURDES**



CATHOLIC CHURCH

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### FROM FR. LEO



"How Long, O LORD? I cry for help but you do not listen!" cries Habakkuk in our first reading. There is pain and impatience in his voice. He wants action from God now! He is told that the vision of peace will come, it will not be late. God's time his God's own.

Wanting things immediately may be an indication that what we want isn't what we really need or what is really good for us. There is a place for discipline in our lives. What aspiring musician can improve without long hours of day in and day out

practicing? Practice becomes a necessary part of an artist life and is never completed.

What person who wants to be fit can get there without engaging in exercise and healthy diet routines? Again, the results come in time. Most of life requires discipline, college, career, good relationships, a balanced life to name a few.

Discipline is also helpful in our Spiritual lives. Taking time to be quiet, pray and reflect each day, even if it is for fifteen minutes is very important. Some of us do and perhaps the reason some of us don't is lack of experience or knowledge about how to pray.

I'd like to quickly speak about three forms of prayer and how to engage in them. First is centering prayer. It is simple. We sit with our feet on the floor, spine erect and our hands in our lap. We breath in and out relaxing our body and repeating a prayer word like "Jesus" or "love." We repeat it as we let go of all the thoughts that want to grab our attention. It's a way of saying. "Later," I'm going to sit quietly with God. This prayer can take us to a deeper part of ourselves, a place where distractions are silenced and our true self beings to be revealed. Thomas Keating in his book, "Open Mind, Open heart." explains this process well.

Divine Reading is also helpful. We read a passage of scripture over a few times and reflect on what sparks our attention. Also, reading books on Spirituality is also helpful. A couple of authors would be Fr. James Martin, S.J., and Fr. Richard Rohr. You can look for them on line. When we read these kinds of books, we pause when there is something that speaks to us and we can sit with that and ponder it for a while.

The Last payer is the Rosary. It's a form of meditation. In time, the prayers of the rosary proceed by rote and allows our minds to contemplate God and the Mysteries of the Spiritual life. Just holding it in our hands can be a prayer. Something that draws our attention to God. It takes practice for it to become automatic so contemplation can happen.

#### Thank You!

To all those who assisted us in the prep and execution of LourdesFest 2025 and to all who attended! It was a beautiful evening!



It's time to make the MEAT PIES!
October 18th - Meat Pie Bake
Sign up to help at: https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0844A9A928A2FF2-57216326-meat#/



## **UPCOMING EVENTS AT LOURDES**

#### **MASS INTENTIONS**

Sun	10/5	8:30am	Our Lady of Lourdes Parish
	·	10:30am	Our Lady of Lourdes Parish
Mon	10/6	NO MASS	•
		12:05 pm	
		12:05 pm	
Thurs	10/9	12:05 pm	
Fri	10/10	12:05 pm	
Sat		4:30 pm	Our Lady of Lourdes Parish
Sun	10/12	8:30am	+Rev. Alan Moss
			1970-1988 (d.1995)
		10:30am (	Our Lady of Lourdes Parish

#### **READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF OCT 5**

**Sunday** Hb 1:2-3, 2:2-4; 2 Tm 1:6-8, 13-14;

Lk 17: 5-10

**Monday** Jon 1:1; 2:, 2-11; Lk 10:25-37

**Tuesday** Jon 3:1-10; Lk 10: 38-42 **Wednesday** Jon 4: 1-11: Lk 11: 1-4

**Thursday** Mal 3: 13-20b; Lk 11: 5-13

Friday | Il 1: 13-15, 1: 1-2; Lk 11:15-26

**Saturday** Jl 4: 12-21; Lk 11:27-28



Earlier on in the season, we were directing families to have their 8th grade and high school students that are ready

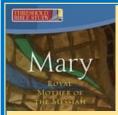
for Confirmation to enroll in a Confirmation Program at another church. However, upon further consideration we will offer a Confirmation Program here at Our Lady of Lourdes for any families that wish to have their son or daughter be confirmed through Our Lady of Lourdes. We are sorry for the misdirection we have given over the past few weeks. If any of our parents that asked about confirmation and were directed to go elsewhere, you are welcome to reconsider partaking in the Confirmation Program here. If you have any questions, please contact Peter Young in the Parish Office.

#### Planning a Baptism at Lourdes soon?

To better understand the Sacrament of Baptism, new parents and parents with children who are new to the parish are required to attend a Baptismal Preparation Session.

Our next Baptism Preparation Session will be on Saturday, November 15, 2025 from 9-10 am in the Small Hall.

Please register in advance online: <a href="https://lourdesmpls.org/baptism-registration-form">https://lourdesmpls.org/baptism-registration-form</a> or email <a href="Peter">Peter</a> with questions.



Adult Bible/Book Study "Mary; Royal Mother of the
Messiah" - Begins
Saturday, October 25, 2025
at 10:00 am

Studying and contemplating Mary through the Scriptures enables us to encounter here as mother, counselor, and inspiration. Pondering her many regal titles as well as her simple humanity, we come to know her as a strong, resilient woman and the royal mother of God's people. Please register on the church website.



Are you interested in becoming a Catholic?

Looking to get to know your Catholic Faith

better?

Join us for Our Lady of Lourdes Faith Formation through the Order of Christian Initiation for Adults (OCIA). Contact Peter Young in the Church Office.

#### **PARISH LEADERSHIP**

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## Safe Environment

We are happy to report that Our Lady of Lourdes remains in compliance with Safe Environment Standards in the Archdiocese.

Please visit <a href="https://safe-environment.archspm.org/">https://safe-environment.archspm.org/</a>
to find out more on the Safe Environment
Protocols in the Archdiocese.



## BUSY BAGS FOR OUR YOUNGEST CHILDREN

Located at the entrance of the church. All we ask is that you return them at the end of Mass.

#### **CONGRATULATIONS!**

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SATURDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2025

#### **GIVING ONLINE**

The link to support the parish through online giving is: <a href="https://lourdesmpls.org/giving">https://lourdesmpls.org/giving</a> This will connect you to the page that you can either create an account with *Vanco* on our website (secure) or adjust your current giving. Please call the parish office with any questions.

#### **TEXT TO GIVE**

Text the amount you would like to give, starting with a "\$" to: (612) 888-8406. The first time you donate, you will receive directions on how to sign up. After that, your future gifts can be made simply by sending a text with an amount.

Please contact the parish office if you would like to give via weekly envelopes or if you have any questions about how to give, including legacy and planned giving. **Thank you for your generosity!** 



Want to keep it simple? Use your cell phone to click on this QR code and you will be taken directly to our webpage where you can make a secure donation. Thank you!



# CHILDREN'S CHOIR BEGINS SOON!

All children grades 2 and up are welcome ~ no prior musical experience necessary!

Rehearsals on Wed. at 6 p.m. in the church, starting Oct 8.

We will sing for the Feast of All Souls on Sunday, Nov. 2 at the 10:30 a.m. Mass.

Contact Sam Libra for more information or to register.

All are welcome!